

GOOD FRIDAY 2012

PLANNING GUIDE

*GOOD FRIDAY is a major evangelistic outreach point, where **everyone** in the church commits to bring in the **harvest** through a **Cell-Based Outreach Event** followed by a combined celebration at our **Easter Celebration Services**.*

This Good Friday, we aim to:

- ▶ Exemplify the lives of the believers from the early churches who fellowshiped, remembered and praised God in their homes while enjoying favour with their friends. God will gladly add new souls into His kingdom and entrust them into the care of His people. (Acts 2:46-47)
- ▶ Mobilise *all open cells* to be personally involved in this outreach event. Together, we will operate outreach points all over the nation.
- ▶ Use available resources in order that “we try to persuade men” concerning the GOOD NEWS. (2 Corinthians 5:11)
- ▶ Communicate the GOSPEL of GOOD FRIDAY in a comfortable and non-threatening setting to evoke a personal response for salvation.
- ▶ Reveal the sacrificial love of Christ, epitomised in His death on the Cross – for the Holy Spirit to speak to all our guests and convict them of the need to personally receive God’s salvation.
- ▶ Use this event to invite our friends to our Celebration Services over the Easter weekend.

PROGRAM FORMAT

The programme should consist of these three components:

1. **TIME FOR RELATING.**

This segment allows cell members and guests to mingle prior to the main programme. It consists of **Ice-Breakers** which serve as warm up and time filler before all the guests arrive. **Food** may be served at this juncture or after the main programme.

2. **TIME OF REMEMBRANCE.**

You can choose your own **TGIF programme** in consultation with your G12 leader and Team Pastor. You can be creative in designing a programme for the appropriate age-group of your guests – whether it is an indoor party, fun outdoor outreach programme or acts of kindness project. You must weave in to your programme an opportunity to **Share** the Good Friday story and gospel. You can also include **Worship** or use a **Multimedia Tool** such as a movie, *Jesus Film* or a **Testimony Sharing** to complement.

3. **TIME TO RESPOND.**

For the final segment, the cell leader issues an **Invitation** to the guests to respond to Jesus' sacrificial love for them by leading them to pray the sinners' prayer. Following that, cell members can pair up and share with the guests the **John 3:16 Presentation**, their **Personal Testimonies**, and pray for each guest. Conclude by inviting all guests to our **Easter Celebration Services** at TC/TCT.

TOOLS & RESOURCES

Leaders' Meeting Distribution:

- Response Forms
- Invitation Cards

Additional copies will be available at the self-help counter.

Distribution by Team Pastor:

- Consolidation Forms

Sample Programs:

- Past years' manuals and programs can be accessed from G12 resources at FCBC website.



- You can select and screen a video:
 - ▶ Testimonies of Kelvin Soh, Olivia Lum, Neville Tan, etc.
 - ▶ 'The Crossing' movie
 - ▶ 'The Deal' movie
 - ▶ *Jesus* Film

PLANNING SCHEDULE

27 February – 4 March, 2012 (6 weeks to Good Friday)

- ❖ Cell group to synchronize a time to pray ½ hour daily in the next 40 days for Good Friday. Write the names of people to invite to the Good Friday and pray for them.
- ❖ Cell leader to go through the previous years' TGIF Manuals which can be downloaded from G12 resources at FCBC website.
- ❖ Discuss, decide and plan the Good Friday program and assign roles to cell members.

5 – 11 March, 2012 (5 weeks to Good Friday)

- ❖ Cell members to be familiar with the various segments of the program.
- ❖ Cell leader to collate information on outreach points for Team Pastors:
 - Venue and Time
 - Cell leader/intern running the programme
- ❖ Pray for the Good Friday outreach and the names of guests.

12 – 18 March, 2012 (4 weeks to Good Friday)

- ❖ Revise John 3:16 Presentation and get the cell members to practise. Cell members to draft their personal testimonies to share the following week.
- ❖ If children guests are expected, cell leader can obtain copies of the children's booklet 'Breaking The Barrier' from the Information Counter during the weekend celebration services.
- ❖ Encourage the members to fast and pray for the Good Friday outreach, pray for each guest you are inviting and send out the invitations.

19 – 25 March, 2012 (3 weeks to Good Friday)

- ❖ Cell members to report on invitation results and to decide if a separate kids' programme is necessary for children. Prepare cell members to share the Gospel with pre-believing children.
- ❖ Pair up cell members to practise sharing their personal testimonies and the John 3:16 Presentation.
- ❖ Continue to fast and pray for the Good Friday outreach and invited guests.

26 March – 1 April, 2012 (2 weeks to Good Friday)

- ❖ Confirm the number of guests for the purpose of food preparation.
- ❖ Select cell members to share their testimonies.
- ❖ Rehearse main programme, personal testimony sharing, John 3:16 Presentation and salvation invitation.
- ❖ Pray and fast for the Good Friday outreach, guests and members who are leading the various segments.

2 – 5 April, 2012 (1 week to Good Friday)

- ❖ Call and remind the guests to be on time as there will be a programme.
- ❖ Ensure DVD, computer/DVD player and television are working (if needed). Arrange room setting and position the television where everyone can watch comfortably.
- ❖ Intensify prayer and fasting for the Good Friday outreach and your invited guests. Bind any spiritual forces that seek to thwart the program or stop guests from attending and coming to know Christ.

6 April, 2012 (Thank God It's Friday)

- ❖ Gather early to prepare the venue and food (if it is not catered), worship down the presence of God and intercede for the guests.
- ❖ Carry out the program for the Good Friday outreach. Cell members to be sensitive to the prompting of the Holy Spirit throughout the programme and demonstrate Christ-likeness.
- ❖ If a guest responds
 - “Yes” to salvation. Take down his/ her particulars in the Consolidation Form.
 - “No” to salvation. Use the John 3:16 presentation in the Response Form to share further. Probe to understand his/ her concerns. and offer to pray a blessing.
- ❖ Invite every guest to our Celebration Services to celebrate Easter.
- ❖ After the programme, the cell leader is to send a text message to his/her G12 leader before 11pm on Good Friday to report on attendance and decisions.
 - Number of members attended
 - Number of guests attended
 - Number of Salvations
 - Number of Re-dedications

7 – 8 April, 2012 (Easter Services)

- ❖ Bring invited guests to TC/TCT for the Easter Celebration Services.
- ❖ Cell leader to submit the Consolidation Form(s) at TC/TCT.

9 – 15 April, 2012 (Post Good Friday)

- ❖ Conduct evaluation on the Good Friday outreach program.
- ❖ Consolidate new believers and members to continue to follow up and invite the other guests for future cell outings/events.
- ❖ Conclude by giving thanks and praise to God!